

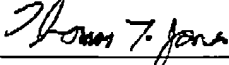

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<b>REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>		Attorney Docket No.	1614.1141		
		Application Number	09/812,846		
		Filing Date	March 21, 2001		
		First Named Inventor	Tadaatsu NAGUMO		
		Group Art Unit	2153		
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	120.00	Examiner Name	Yasin M. Barqadle		
<b>FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 12/08/04)</b>					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	21	22 =	0	X \$ 50.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	7	8 =	0	X \$ 200.00 =	0.00
Since an Official Action set an original due date of February 28, 2007, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)); (2 months (\$450)); (3 months (\$1,020)); (4 months (\$1,590)); (5 months (\$2,160)).					120.00
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$500.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$130.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 120.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Tadaatsu NAGUMO

Serial No. 09/812,846

Group Art Unit: 2153

Confirmation No. 1451

Filed: March 21, 2001

Examiner: Yasin. M. Barqadle

For: PROCESSING METHOD, PROCESSING APPARATUS AND STORAGE MEDIUM

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 30, 2006, and having a period for response set to expire on February 28, 2007. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to March 30, 2007.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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